

**AMENDMENTS TO CLAIMS**

1.) (Currently amended) A kiosk system, comprising:

- a) means for entering customer identifier;
- b) database containing customer identifier stored in association with ~~the customer~~ a customer's preferred internet portal and customer's log-in information for logging into the preferred internet portal; said database coupled to said means for entering customer identifier for data communication therebetween;
- c) display;
- d) means for accessing the customer's preferred portal, said portal accessing means operatively coupled to said database and to said display for displaying the customer's preferred portal, said portal accessing means passing said customer's log-in information to said preferred portal and, upon log-in, displaying the preferred portal on said display.

2. (Original) A kiosk system according to claim 1, wherein said means for entering customer identifier includes a magnetic card reader for reading a customer's card bearing a magnetic stripe that contains the customer identifier.

3. (Original) A kiosk system according to claim 1, wherein said means for entering customer identifier includes an alpha-numeric keypad.

4. (Original) A kiosk system according to claim 1, wherein said means for entering the customer identifier includes a smart card reader.

5. (Original) A kiosk system according to claim 1, wherein said means for entering the customer identifier includes a biometric reader.

6. (Currently amended) A method of providing personal internet access via a multi-customer kiosk, comprising the steps of:

a) providing a kiosk having a customer input device, a display, and a data connection to the internet to display web content on the display;

b) storing customer's unique identifier in a database in association with ~~the customer's profile information including the~~ that customer's preferred internet portal and portal log-in information;

c) coupling the kiosk to the database for data communication therebetween to allow the kiosk to send to the database a unique customer identifier and for returning to the kiosk the customer's preferred portal and log-in information;

d) connecting to the internet via the kiosk and logging into the customer's preferred portal using the customer's log-in information.

7. (Currently amended) A method of providing personal internet access via a multi-customer kiosk according to claim 6, further comprising the steps of:

a) providing a card bearing a customer's identifier;

b) providing a card reader, in data communication with said kiosk, for reading the customer's identifier from the card;

c) ~~automatically~~ automatically logging into the customer's preferred internet portal upon presenting the card to the card reader.

8. (Original) A method according to claim 7 wherein said card includes a magnetic stripe bearing the customer's identifier and wherein said card reader is a mag-stripe reader.

9. (Original) A method according to claim 7 wherein said card is a smart card and said card reader is a compatible smart card reader.

10. (New) A method of providing personal internet access via a multi-customer kiosk, comprising the steps of:

a) providing a kiosk having a customer input device, a display, and a data connection to the internet to display web content on the display;

b) storing customer's unique identifier in a database in association with the customer's preferred internet portal and portal log-in information;

c) coupling the kiosk to the database for data communication therebetween to allow the kiosk to send to the database a unique customer identifier;

d) upon receiving the customer identifier entered via the input device, accessing from the database the customer's preferred internet portal and portal log-in information;

e) connecting to the internet by logging into the customer's preferred portal using the customer's log-in information;

f) displaying on the kiosk display the user's preferred portal.

11. (New) A method of providing personal internet access via a multi-customer kiosk according to claim 10, further comprising the steps of:

a) providing a card bearing a customer's identifier;

b) providing a card reader, in data communication with said kiosk, for reading the customer's identifier from the card;

c) automatically logging into the customer's preferred internet portal upon presenting the card to the card reader.

12. (New) A method according to claim 10 wherein said card includes a magnetic stripe bearing the customer's identifier and wherein said card reader is a mag-stripe reader.

13. (New) A method according to claim 10 wherein said card is a smart card and said card reader is a compatible smart card reader.

14. (New) A method according to claim 10, wherein said input device is an alpha-numeric keypad.

15. (New) A method according to claim 10, wherein said input device is a biometric reader.

16. (New) A method according to claim 6 wherein said input device is an alpha-numeric keypad.

17. (New) A method according to claim 6 wherein said input device is a biometric reader.